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The listed documents include published U.S. patent documents and one non-patent literature document. Applicant is not providing copies of the published U.S. patent documents. The non-patent literature document was cited in a foreign Search Report for European Application No. EP 00 40 0302. Although two other documents were also cited in the report, those documents were already cited art in this application. A copy of the one non-patent literature document and foreign search report is provided.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

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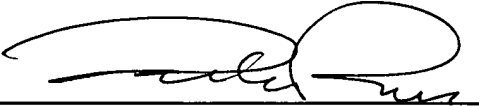
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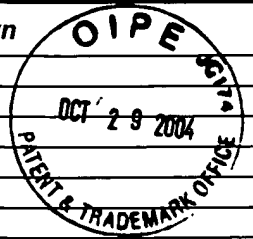
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